Calendar (Year B)

26th- Stephen, Deacon, First Martyr; 27th- John, Apostle & Evangelist; 28th-The Holy Innocents;

29th– Thomas Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr, 1170 1st Jan-Naming & Circumcision of Jesus

100 Club: The December 100 Club Draw Results as follows: £100-No. 52; £40- No 72; £25-No 11

Children's Society Box Holders - Please bring your box to Church & hand to Ros Harford or Margaret Harrison - there is a COLLECTIVE LARGE CARD AT THE BACK OF CHURCH and a Children's Society collection box; donations, the collection at the CRIB & CHRISTINGLE SERVICE & money from the boxholders, will be given directly to the worthy cause of the Children's Society.

Big THANK YOU to all who kindly returned their annual Pledge Forms & to all those who continue their committed giving to St Andrew's either through the Parish Giving Scheme or direct from their Bank. Much appreciated by our Treasurer, Chris Norris, & from Gavin & Ros (Parish Giving Officers)

£355 for our Parish Funds was raised for the <u>Sept Ride & Stride</u> walk by Chris & Jenny Norris & Margaret Harrison. Thank you.



<u>Christmas Eve 24th– 3.30 pm Holy Communion</u> at St Nicholas

<u>Christmas Eve 7 pm CANDLELIT CAROL SERVICE</u>
<u>AT ST ANDREW'S</u>

(Mary Pennell: Linda Silk: Viv Prout: Laurinda Elliott)

CHRISTMAS DAY MON 25TH: 10.30 AM FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE WITH THE BENEFICE TEAM LEADERS: NO H.C.

\*\*\*\*\*\*Wishing everyone a very Happy Christmas\*\*\*\*\*

Sun 31st Dec: 10.30 am Holy Communion Service at

St Andrew's (with Rev Anton Campbell)

ST ANDREW'S BIRTHDAY LIST— IN THE NEW YEAR A COPY OF THE LIST WILL BE AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR ANY ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONAL NAMES TO BE ADDED. PLEASE CHECK YOUR OWN NAME & DATE IS CORRECT. Ros

Message from <u>Beryl Fox</u>: Thanks to all kind friends @ St. Andrew's for their Christmas Greetings, much appreciated.

<u>Items for weekly notice sheet, please send details by a Weds evening to:</u>
ros.harford31@btinternet.com

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Amen

# ST ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH

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SUNDAY DECEMBER 24th: Christmas Eve
9 am SAID Holy Communion
10.30 am EUCHARIST (Rev. Anton Campbell)

READING:2 Samuel 7. 1-11.16:GOSPEL: Luke 1:26-38

HYMNS: O Come, O Come Emmanuel;(480); People Look East (557); The Angel Gabriel (634); Jesus Good Above all Other (350); Tell Out my Soul (631)

<u>Advent 4</u>: Lord Jesus, light of the world, blessed is Gabriel, who brought good news; blessed is Mary, your mother & ours. Bless your Church preparing for Christmas: and bless us your children, who long for your coming:

Christmas Eve 24th- 3.30 pm Holy Communion at St Nicholas

<u>Christmas Eve 7 pm CANDLELIGHT CAROL SERVICE</u> <u>AT ST ANDREW'S with the Benefice Worship Team Leaders</u> (Mary Pennell; Linda Silk; Viv Prout; Laurinda Elliott)

<u>Due to the Vacancy, PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NOT A 11.30PM</u>
<u>MIDNIGHT MASS HERE ON 24TH DEC; There is a</u>
11.30 pm midnight service held at St Paul's Church, Malmesbury Rd

<u>CHRISTMAS DAY: Mon 25th Dec: 10.30 am Family Worship</u>
<u>Service (with Benefice Worship Team Leaders) NO H.C.</u>



\*\*<u>Wardens on Duty today 24th</u>:10.30 am Margaret Harrison; 6.00 pm Jenny Norris\*\*

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 31st: NEW YEAR'S EVE** 

Christmas 1

NO 9 am SAID Holy Communion

10.30 am SAID HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

(Rev. Anton Campbell)

READING: Galatians 4. 4-7: GOSPEL: St Luke 2. 15-21 Warden on Duty: 31st Dec—Margaret Harrison

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## 24th DEC 2023: CHRISTMAS EVE (Year B)

### In the week: NO 8.30am Morning Prayer on 25th Dec or 1st Jan The next Thurs 8.30am Service of H.C. is Thurs 11th JANUARY

#### Collect

Almighty God, as we prepare with joy to celebrate the gift of the Christ-child, embrace the earth with your glory and be for us a living hope in Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Post Communion

Eternal God, for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life: keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man, Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Reading: 2 Samuel 7. 1-11.16

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, <sup>2</sup>the king said to the prophet Nathan, 'See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.' 3Nathan said to the king, 'Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you.'4 But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: 5Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? 6 have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, 'Why have you not built me a house of cedar?' 8Now

therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture. from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; <sup>9</sup>and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. 10 And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, 11 from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. <sup>16</sup>Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure for ever before me; your throne shall be established for ever.

## Gospel: St Luke 1: 26-38

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, <sup>27</sup>to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. <sup>28</sup>And he came to her and said, 'Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you. 29 But she was much

dered what sort of greeting this might be. 30 The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. <sup>31</sup>And now. you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. 32He will be great, and will be

perplexed by his words and pon-

called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. 33He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' 34Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?' 35The angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy;

he will be called Son of God. <sup>36</sup>And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. 37For nothing will be impossible with God.' 38 Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.

#### Remembering those who have asked for our prayers:

Amanda; Pauline Barry; Vicki Bray, Pam Bollen; Jean Chadwick; Lisa Clift: John Clarke: Heather Deverell: Beth Drew: Mary Fallon: Sarah Fitzgerald: Margaret Fortune in RUH: Rosemary George: Phyllis Harding (in Chipp Hospital); Eddie Haslop; Jan Hooker; Phyl Honour; Malcolm Hodges; James Little: Marv: James Johnson: Mike: Pearl Jones: June Pettifer: Joanne Pettifer (daughter-in-law); Alasdair Pettifer; Kay Readman; Richard Rosser; Tony Sammes: Elizabeth Sexton: Barbara Starr: S6tephen Starr: Richard Stearn: Abbie Smith; Maurizio Vergottini; Nick Waterworth; Allen Watkins; Bernard Whyte; Young Edward Collins & his parents: Baby Amelia; For Charles & Gloria: Bryan Pettifer now settled in to the Garden House Nursing Home just across the corridor from June's room in St Monica's Retirement Village in Bristol. Bryan spends much of the day in June's room with her..

From our visitors: Jane; Tracy; for Mary & Gary Quarmby; Luke; Sarah, Holly, & family; for a newborn baby, Pablo, & his parents; for a couple receiving fertility treatment; Hannah, Mathew & Lorraine; Remembering the Beasley family & Fletcher families: Visitors Remembered: Eileen Carmen; Lynne & Dave's parents; Beth & Michael; Peter

Communion of Saints & the Departed: Richard Beasley; Michael Ragbourne; Jo Warsop; Tim Dutton of N.Zealand—service to celebrate Tim's life, to take place here in church on Weds 10th January at 2 pm

And for all those we remember at this time: And at their year's Mind: 15th Dec 2021-Liz Fox; 20th Dec 2014-Maurice Banks; 25th Dec 2003-Donald Readman; 28th Dec 2019-Eric Mountain: 29th Dec 2017-Dorothy Crowson

Those with Birthdays at this time: 19th-Stephen Starr; 23rd-Angela Sammes; 25th-Olivia MacInnes; 25th- Christopher Watkins; 3rd Jan-Margaret Fortune;



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WEDNES COFFEE SHOP NOT OPEN ON WEDS 27th DECEMBER: Re-opens on Weds 3rd January 2024

Sunday Morning Coffee Service—NO Coffee/Tea Served on Sun 24th Dec or Sun 31st Dec. (The Teams deserve a rest!!!)



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